

REMARKS

This Amendment, submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2004, is believed to be fully responsive to each point of rejection raised therein. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

In the detailed action, the Examiner contends that the claims as pending are directed to a stripe electrode and therefore relate to non-elected subject matter. Applicant submits that there is no mention of a "stripe electrode" in the modifications of December 18, 2003. Therefore, the claims are not directed to non-elected subject matter. Applicant further submits that an exemplary feature of the claims would correspond to that illustrated by Fig. 17B of the specification.

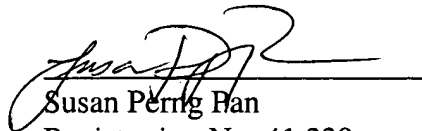
The features of the two dimensional disposition of elements in conjunction with the other elements as claimed is not taught or suggested in the prior art.

In view of the above, Applicant submits that claims 1-8, 59, 62 and 64-66 are in condition for allowance. Therefore it is respectfully requested that the subject application be passed to issue at the earliest possible time. The Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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